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On September 11th, at Shanghai, the wife of CHARLES STEWART, of a daughter.

DEATHS

On August 28th, at Lungchow, JEAN BENJAMIN POTO-HAT, Acting Commissioner of Customs, aged 50 years.

On September 12th, at Shanghai, LOUIS VICHY, aged 33 years.

On September 13th, at London, CHARLES GRANT, late of Sha-kiat.

On September 15th, at Shanghai, JAMES AUTHUR MACFARLANE GLASSY (late Asst. Exam. I. M. Customs Shanghai) aged 40 years.

On September 15th, near Quinsbury, EDWARD JOSEPH.

On September 15th, at Shanghai, ALICE FRANK, son of Allen and Bella Malcolm, aged 1 year and 9 months.

At Shanghai, LYDIA, child of Mr. and Mrs. Sholomhamer, aged 1 year and 1 week.

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**The Daily Press.**

HONGKONG, SEPTEMBER 21ST, 1907.

To read the Wei-hai-wei report for 1906 is to gather the impression that Mr. J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, the Commissioner, would have entitled it "Iacobob," if the Colonial Office permitted journalistic headings of any sort. As already noted, the chief local event of the year was the disbandment of the Chinese Regiment, a sudden, surprising, and arbitrary freak of the Department at Home, for which no British subject in the Far East has succeeded in guessing the reason or justification.

The Commissioner between the lines breathes respectful disapproval, and other residents appear to have been flattered considerably. The disappearance of that regiment, writes Mr. STEWART LOCKHART, is in many ways a great loss to the Territory. It was well-behaved, smart, and efficient, and though the Commissioner does not permit himself to suggest so, it seems silly

to abandon the excellent result of a good deal of pains and care in training and disciplining taken by the officers and N.C.O.'s responsible. It is a specimen of the heart-breaking discouragements that home-staying arm-chair bureaucrats at Home are forever springing on the men who toil on the frontiers of the Empire for the national prestige. As a step towards abandoning Wei-hai-wei altogether, it would have been more intelligible, but in that matter the British Government does not seem able to make up its mind to a plain yes or no. Some indication of the waste of money is afforded by the remark that there are now many buildings, formerly used by the garrison, unoccupied and useless, and no prospect of tenants or buyers, we suppose, for a long time to come. In addition to this, the departure of the soldiers necessitated the appointment of a district officer and more police. The revenue for the year was \$76,777, and the expenditure \$160,899. Each year there has been a deficit of from three to twelve thousand dollars, which the British taxpayer has had to provide. The Commissioner's administration of the Territory would seem to be as nearly ideal as a British adaptation of an excellent Chinese theory can be. There are 26 districts, each responsible for about a dozen villages, each who able assist the two magistrates, much as prefects used to ease the burden of the house masters at school. The arrangement, we can readily believe, has worked very satisfactorily and is much appreciated by the people. Before the British Government takes any further step with regard to Wei-hai-wei, it might find it useful and instructive to take a plebeiate of the wishes of the natives. Coming to the trade, agriculture, and industries of the Territory, we read that the imports for last year showed a considerable increase in kerosene oil, yarn and piece goods, sugar, and dyes. A great deal of Japanese timber was also imported. Rico and refined sugar seem to have been the biggest imports, while rice, salt, and groundnuts were the chief exports. Nuts and seeds were exported in greatly increased quantities. We cannot discover any explanation of the movement of rice; of why 92,000 piculs should be imported and 95,000 piculs exported. Of the importance of the trade generally, the Commissioner takes no exaggerated view; he is not sanguine as to future development. He also inscribes a terra cibaria of the Wei-hai-wei Gold Mining Company, of whose lingering illness we have had to speak before. This time, we suppose, it is to be R.I.P. Fruit growing seems to promise well as an industry of the future. Commercial shipping entering during the year aggregated 363,202 tons (473 steamers) as against 373,864 tons (562 steamers) in 1905. Education is well looked after, crime has decreased, and sickness is rare. "Othello's occupation," Wei-hai-wei's raison d'être, seems to have gone; it is "not so frequently or regularly visited by ships-of-war."

The German gunboat "Tiger" has returned without learning anything of the "Sulberg," which it is feared, foundered in last week's typhoon.

Members of the Right Half No. 1 Co. H. K. V. A. are reminded that the next visit of the Nicholas Cup takes place on Tai Hang Range on Sunday 29th inst.

The resignations of Gunners H. E. Brewer, W. H. Durran, W. A. Brand, and E. J. Chapman are reported in the latest Volunteer order, while Mr. C. F. Bird has joined the Corps.

For boarding the *s.s. Inaba Maru* which was lying at one of the Kowloon wharves on Thursday, Mr. F. A. Hazeland yesterday fined two native hawkers \$50 apiece, the alternative being twelve weeks' imprisonment.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals acknowledges with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:

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It now appears that the eight cases of arms seized by the police in one of Messrs. Batterfield and Sir's godowns at West Point were not shipped from Australia, as previously mentioned, but from Japan. Six of the cases have been lying in the godown since October last year, and the other two cases, which were marked hardware, arrived by the *s.s. Tsinan* on her last voyage. The police have been unable to find the owners.

As the result of a fire fight in the Government Pipe Works at East Point on Saturday, two coolies were yesterday plied before Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Police Court on a charge of assault. A gang of coolies who were dilatory in their work were being urged to greater exertion by a foreman, when one of the coolies turned round and struck him on the face. The foreman's brother then went to his assistance, the result being that a general quarrel ensued. Sticks and stones were flying freely when the police arrived from No. 2 Station, and arrested two of the combatants. Mr. Hazeland ordered each man to pay a fine of 27.

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A coolie was charged with breaking and entering the house of a Chinese detective at 123, Hollywood Road early yesterday morning. The defendant forced open the door, entered, and was leaving with a watch, a silver chain and other articles to the value of \$18, when he met the detective on the stairs. The latter attempted to detain him, but the thief struck him and knocked the detective down stairs, afterwards attempting to run away. He was captured by a hukong, however, and taken to the Central Station. Mr. Hazeland sentenced him to three months' imprisonment and four hours' stocks.

"You are gathered together to show honour to one of our own class, to one who has passed through the stormy sea against wind and tide, and has kept the flag of honest trade and honourable conduct flying." So wrote Mr. Richardson, M.P., in response to an invitation to attend a complimentary banquet to Mr. Albert Wingfield Hall, a merchant, of Lincoln, who fell upon troublous times in 1904, and has since paid his creditors in full. The banquet took place a month ago, when the creditors presented Mr. Hall with a purse of 100 guineas. In reply, he said that, sold under ordinary conditions, his estate would have realised 60s. to the pound.

That was a very creditable feat of the pigeon—one of 2,000—liberated at Resnes the other day, which travelled to Yorkshire, a distance of 330 miles, at an average speed of 1,202 yards a minute, but it has been eclipsed by many another flier. A few years ago a bird belonging to King Edward (who, like the Prince of Wales, is a great pigeon enthusiast) won the national race from Larkhall, covering 50 miles at a velocity of 1,39 yards a minute. The speed of a pigeon naturally depends largely on atmospheric conditions. With a strong wind behind it, a speed of 1,500 or 1,600 yards a minute is fairly common, and even this rate of travelling has been exceeded. In a race not long ago from Retford to London (127 miles) several of the birds are said to have flown a mile a minute.

By kind permission of Lieut.-Col. W. Scott Moncrieff and Officers, the Band of the Third Battalion "The Duke of Cambridge's Own" (Middlesex Regiment) will play the following programme of music during dinner at the Hongkong Hotel, this (Saturday) evening:—March ..... Lorraine ..... Gavotte ..... (by request) ... "Merry Widow" ..... Lehar Selection ..... "H. M. S. Pinafore" ..... Sullivan Ronzane ..... "Simp' A' You" ..... Thomas Selection ..... "The Dairymaid" ..... Raubens Galop ..... "Balalaika" ..... Faust Divan Alman ..... Hors-d'oeuvres—Macauar Fish and Olive Croft no. 1 Soup—Rock Turkey, Fish—Stewed Fish and Oyster Souffle. Entrees—Fillet of Beef and Mushrooms, Mongolian Patties, Egg Cremonies, Curry—Lobster, Joint, &c.—Roast Leg of Mutton and Mint Sauce, Roast Chicken and Broth Sauces, Boiled Corned Leg of Pork and Pease Pudding, Cold Oats' Foot Brown and Cucumber Salad, Salmi, Swede, Caramel Filling, Coffees, Ice Cream, and Fudge—Tippy Cake, Cheese Biscuits, Dessert—Coffee—Fruit.

The *Peking and Tientsin Times* says that Viceroy Chang Chih-tung has wired to a certain Grand Councillor stating that on his arrival at Peking he is going to submit to Their Majesties ten important propositions. He is also going to denounce Prince Chung and Yuan Shih-kai, and is going to recommend Viceroy Ts'en Chun-hua for the Vice-royalty of Manchuria. H.E. will also urge the Throne to compel Prince Chung to disgorge ten million taels, which he received a bribe for carrying out the reform plans. Liang Ting-fen, the present judge of Hupeh, will be recommended as a Grand Councillor, and Chang will recommend a certain Chi Liang to be Liang's successor. In order to appease the revolutionaries the veteran Viceroy is going to urge the Throne to dismiss a certain high official. In the event of his being appointed a Grand Councillor, Viceroy Chang will ask for the control of the Boards of Revenue and Army Affairs. He will further urge Their Majesties to despatch princes to foreign countries to study. In addition to the above he will make twelve propositions regarding the Manchus and Chinese and methods of bringing about a reconciliation.

The latest criticism of the Japanese in Korea comes from Toronto. The Rev. Dr. McKay, of Toronto, general secretary of foreign missions for the Presbyterian Church, who is on a tour of inspection of the various foreign missions, was recently in Manchuria. He expressed intense indignation at the treatment accorded Koreans by Japanese, and states it is scarcely less atrocious than the horrors of the Congo. A letter received by Mr. Hamilton Cassels, K.C., from Rev. Dr. McKay, contains the following:—"I was a Japanese enthusiast until I came here, but I have changed in spite of myself. They have spent tens of thousands of dollars in writing themselves up and on winning the confidence of Europe and America, and thus securing moral support and funds. Yet in reality they are barbarians. Their treatment of the Koreans is scarcely less atrocious than the horrors of the Congo. I am told by one of the oldest missionaries in Korea to-day that there is not a case on record in which a Korean got justice against a Japanese, however great the offence, and this is made possible, it is believed, because of the British alliance. An old courtier Korean gentleman called on me the other day and asked whether this was Western civilization. He knew British influence in this, although too courteous to say so. I never before blushed for my country." That is what Japan gets from the missionaries!

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## TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

## ORIENTAL IMMIGRATION TO BRITISH COLUMBIA.

LONDON, September 18th.

The Vancouver Asiatic Exclusion League threatens drastic measures unless the Dominion Government passes a relieving measure in respect to Asiatic immigration. An international exclusionist convention will be held in Vancouver in October.

The Japanese claims for compensation for the riot amounting to £1,500 have been sent to Ottawa.

## RUSSIAN GENERALS DECORATED BY THE KAISER.

LONDON, September 18th.

The Kaiser has conferred high decorations on several prominent Russian Generals, including the Grand Cross of the Red Eagle on General Kropotkin.

## THE STANDARD OIL COMPANY.

LONDON, September 18th.

New York wires that the action of the Government in the Federal Court to annul the charter of the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey, showed that the profit of the Company from 1899 to 1906 aggregated £98,063,187, and dividends paid amounting to £61,671,886.

## PHILIPPINES SOCIETY.

LONDON, September 18th.

The right of the Governor-General of the Philippines in the dress of a colonel of fifteen might be expected to be somewhat ludicrous, but when he appeared at Link House, Ulverston on the night of Sept. 14th in company with a large number of other grown-ups in like costume, he looked a magnified picture of himself in his school days of long ago.

The occasion was a unique one. It was the celebration of the birthday of A. G. Stevenson, the manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. Mr. Stevenson had invited out to dinner and during his absence the visitors filed into the house and awaited his return. He got back about half past nine in the evening little expecting the surprise that was waiting him there. As he turned the knob of the front door someone switched on the electric lights and there suddenly appeared almost a hundred strangling-looking beings which gave the returning banker an idea that it was time to change his brand.

He quickly recovered from his surprise, however, and entered into the fun of the occasion. His guests were banking people and persons from military and civil life. —C. de la Rosa.

## ANOTHER SUEZ CANAL ACCIDENT.

LONDON, September 18th.

For some time past complaints have been made as to the bad dredging of the Suez Canal, and a month ago a North German Lloyd liner stranding there, completely blocked the passage for some days, thereby causing heavy expense to shipowners. Early on Tuesday morning the north Whiting steamer "Barbary" stranded at the north end of the canal, which was again blocked. In the afternoon, although the steamer was still ashore, it was made possible for vessels to pass her. The "Barbary" is of 3,886 tons burthen, built at Sunderland last year, and owned by Messrs. H. Harrowing & Co., of Whiting.

Undoubtedly the complaints of shipowners are only too well founded. Such casualties as these are caused by the Canal being insufficiently dredged, and there is no excuse for the lack of proper appliances. The Suez Canal Directors are able to declare very handsome dividends, whilst the shipowners who pay the heavy dues have no recompense, if through no fault of their own, their vessels are detained for days by a boat stranding in the shallower parts of the Canal.

## CHINESE PRESS LAW.

The Board of Civil Administrations has compiled the Press Laws provisionally which read as follows:

Article I.—Those who establish a newspaper or periodical office shall first apply to the police office for sanction, without which no publication is allowed. The offices of newspapers or periodicals already in existence shall also apply for the same.

Article II.—Either daily, weekly or monthly periodicals shall have the name and residence of the publisher, editor, and printer in each copy of the same.

Article III.—The following matters shall not be published:

1.—Matters which affect the national dignity.

2.—Matters which disturb the public peace.

3.—Indecent matters.

Article IV.—Matters concerning diplomatic or military affairs, which have been notified not to be published by the Yamen concerned, shall not be published.

Article V.—Undecided criminal cases shall not be criticised.

Article VI.—Corrections signed by the person or his friends of the writers published which are incorrect shall be published.

Article VII.—Those who violate those stipulations will be punished in the following manner according to the circumstances: Publisher, Editor, and Printer—imprisonment of one month to one year or fine of ten dollars to two hundred dollars, but the printer will be punished only when they knew the violation, or they may be left unapplied.

Article VIII.—For violation of these stipulations a daily newspaper may be ordered to stop its publication from three to seven days, and, in case of weekly or monthly, from one issue to three issues, and in case of a serious nature, the publication may be stopped altogether.

Article IX.—When the publication is stopped the publisher and the Yamen concerned shall report the fact to the post office and telegraph office to stop the circulation and telegraphing the news and to notify the public of the same and news-vendors are not allowed to sell the paper.

Article X.—These are provisional laws pending the Press laws to be sanctioned by the Throne.

## SUPREME COURT.

## HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

We have received for publication the following official minutes of a monthly meeting of the General Committee of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce held in the Chamber Room, St. George's Building, Hongkong, on Tuesday, 3rd September. Present—Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett (Chairman), Mr. A. G. Wood (Vice-Chairman), Hon. Mr. Henry Kewick, Messrs. A. Haupt, G. H. Midhurst, J. R. M. Smith, H. E. Tomkins and A. R. Lowe (Secretary).

### MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on the 18th ultimo were read, and confirmed.

### LEASE OF OFFICES.

The CHAIRMAN said he had renewed the lease of the rooms at present occupied for another period of 3 years from 30th instant on the same terms.

### COMPANIES (EXTRA COLONIAL REGISTER) ORDINANCE, 1907.

The following correspondence was read:

Hongkong Chamber of Commerce,  
13th August, 1907.

SIR—I am directed to forward for the information of your Committee copy of a draft ordinance entitled "Companies (Extra Colonial Register) Ordinance, 1907," and to ask your Committee's opinion thereon and for any comments or suggestions they may wish to make in order that this Chamber may consider the same before replying to the Hongkong Government's request for this Chamber's opinion of the Bill.

I am to ask for the favour of an early reply.

I have &c.,  
(Sgd.) A. R. LOWE,  
Secretary.

The Secretary,  
General Chamber of Commerce,  
Shanghai.

Shanghai Chamber of Commerce,  
28th August, 1907.

The Secretary,  
Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.

Hongkong.

DEAR SIR.—Your letter of the 13th instant enclosing copies of the draft Ordinance, entitled "Companies (Extra Colonial Register) Ordinance, 1907," has been laid before my Committee.

After carefully considering same, I am directed to suggest the following alterations, in which I trust your Committee will acquiesce.

Clause 4. Section (2) for nominal capital substitute "paid up Capital."

Section (8) b. delete the words "who shall have died domiciled elsewhere than in the Colony."

Clause 6. Section (1) for "one month" substitute "three months."

I am, &c.,  
(Sgd.) J. D. CANNING,  
Secretary.

The CHAIRMAN also read extracts from private letters from leading lawyers in Shanghai interested in the working of Hongkong Registered Companies at those ports.

After so much discussion it was agreed to support the Bill subject to alterations suggested by the Shanghai Chamber of Commerce.

OPUM MONOPOLY AT NANKING.  
The following letter was read:

Hongkong, 27th August, 1907.

Hon. Mr. E. A. HEWETT,  
Chairman,

Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.

Sir,—We have the honour to bring to your attention the following copies of correspondence in connection with the intention of the Viceroy at Nanking to grant a monopoly of the Opium trade in Nanking:

1. Copy of letter addressed to H.B.M.'s Consul General, at Shanghai, by the foreign opium dealers there, dated 27th June.

2. Copy of letter addressed to the Chairman of the China Association, dated 11th July.

3. Copy of letter addressed to H.B.M.'s Consul General, Shanghai, dated 2nd August.

4. Extracts from "Sin Wan Pao."

5. Translation of a letter addressed to importers by the Swatow Opium Guild in Shanghai.

6. Fraudulation of an Official despatch published in the "South China Journal" of the Viceroy of Liang in the erection of an Opium Monopoly Office.

In connection with the above, which will give you full information on the matter, we beg to inform you that an emissary of the Viceroy of Nanking is now in the Colony and has actually purchased Opium for the Bureau.

We understand that the Chinese Authorities in the other Provinces are closely watching the course of events at Nanking with a view to successful forming monopolies in the other centres of the Opium trade.

We would therefore request you to give this important question prompt attention and by the matter before the Government or take such other steps as may appear advisable to your Committee.

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A discussion followed and it was decided to represent the matter to the Government as a breach of Treaty rights and to send a cable to H.B.M.'s Minister at Peking protesting against the proposed Monopoly at Nanking.

### SECRETARSHIP.

The CHAIRMAN said that the Sub-Committee appointed for the purpose of selecting a new Secretary had engaged Mr. E. A. M. Williams, of Messrs. Lowe and Bingham's Office, whose duties would commence in February next. In the meantime Mr. A. R. Lowe would continue to act.

This concluded the business before the Meeting.

### ADSETTS INTERVIEWED.

The Manila *Cablenews* of September 16th has the following:

Hongkong September 14.—The local authorities in communication with the American authorities of Manila and Washington have arranged for the extradition of W. H. Adsets, the alleged murderer of Gertrude Dayton. The necessary papers have been prepared and the requisite authorization given. Detectives O'Sullivan and Perkins of this city have embarked on the "Ruby" for Manila to receive the transfer of Adsets to British authority, to be tried for the crime of which he is suspected and indicted. Word has been received here that Adsets has been received to Manila from Chefoo on the "Galveston" for the purpose of effecting the extradition. According to advices received by the Hongkong authorities, this move was made pursuant to a order from Washington to the commander of the "Galveston" and as a result of negotiations conducted between the British Foreign Office and the Secretary of State. Advices have been received by the Hongkong authorities that the necessary papers are waiting at the Manila end of the line and that any attempt of the defendant to fight extradition will be futile in view of the arrangements that have already been made. It is stated here in police circles that O'Sullivan and Perkins will return to Hongkong immediately with the prisoner.

An effort was made by the *Cablenews* last evening to confirm the foregoing dispatch, but the Governor-General could not be seen and the Prosecuting Attorney refused to give out anything on the subject without the consent of the Governor-General. The "Ruby" is due in Manila on Tuesday. This vessel usually includes Amy in her trip to Manila.

On the 17th, the *Cablenews* had the following:

At 4:15 p.m. yesterday Adsets, the alleged murderer of Gertrude Dayton, walked ashore on Philippine soil a free man—for about five seconds. Midshipman Taylor brought him in on one of the "Galveston's" small tenders. The tender stopped at the customs wharf in front of the baggage and passenger office.

Adsets was then in the custody of naval authorities but when the double iron was taken off he stepped ashore at liberty. Five seconds later Detective Walker snapped the handcuffs on him while Detective Guertin stood close by.

The suspect said nothing and did not appear to be excited. He looked haggard and fatigued considerably since leaving Manila. He was dressed in a navy blue suit, and wore a Balingas hat with a light ribbon around it. The legs of his trousers were sewed up where they were torn the time he attempted to make his second escape.

Adsets will fight extradition, and declares that he was brought to Manila against his will, and has been given no opportunity to make a defense, although the evidence in the case is purely circumstantial.

Although the prisoner declares his innocence, he intimated that the murder of the Dayton would not be a whit affair, and that he had a fair idea as to what happened.

He declares he can clear himself by yes.

He declares the murderers, and that several persons connected with the gruesome crime.

Adsets says that the Chinese coolies who removed the trunk from the hotel to the ship, containing the body of the murdered woman knew of its contents and that at least two servants of the hotel knew the crime had been committed, if they were not actually eye witnesses of it.

In the speaking of his escape from the jail in Chefoo, the prisoner laughed heartily and declared that he had covered about six miles, and was on a fair road to escape but for the pain in his ankle which he had sprained in jumping from the jail window.

When seen by a *Cablenews* reporter yesterday he talked freely and in describing his capture after his escape from the jail, he seemed to forget the seriousness of his situation and depicted his ill-luck in being handicapped in the fight by having an injured ankle.

He appeared to enjoy the description of this fight, and recited in minute detail his encounter with "Billy" Bellay, a priz fighter of Shanghai who is in the police force of that city.

Yesterday morning the prisoner was arraigned before Judge Gilbert for preliminary examination.

After a short hearing the court set the matter for two o'clock this afternoon, when it is expected the Hongkong detectives will have arrived.

The Hongkong detectives will be used as witnesses in the proceedings.

The mandarins of the Governor-General, based on the extradition treaty between the United States and Great Britain, have been prepared and is ready for signature, also an order for the signature of the trial judge.

In this case, should the evidence be sufficient to warrant extradition, the court will sign such order, and the Governor-General will issue the mandate ordering the prisoner turned over to the Hongkong authorities, and preventing Adsets from delaying the case by fighting extradition. The detectives are coming on the "Ruby."

### WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:

On the 20th at 11:55 a.m.—The barometer has a tendency to fall over China. It has risen considerably in E. Japan.

Except for E. Hokkaido, pressure is in slight to moderate excess of the normal generally.

The highest pressure is lying over China to the North of the Upper Yangtze, and the lowest probably in about 15° lat. both over the China Sea and Pacific. Gradients are slight.

Moderate N.E. winds are expected to prevail in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.01 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:

Hongkong & neighbourhood moderate fine N.E. winds.

Formosa Channel . . . . . Samoas No. 1.

South coast of China between . . . . . Samoas No. 1.

Hongkong and Lantau . . . . . Samoas No. 1.

South coast of China between . . . . . Samoas No. 1.

Hongkong and Taiwan . . . . . Samoas No. 1.

Vaiti of the Islands is the title of a new story by Miss Jessie Grimshaw which is appearing in Uwin's Colonial Library. The story is an unconventional one of life and adventure in the South Seas, the heroine Vaiti being the daughter of a Maori girl and an English sea captain.

### A TOO SWEEPING INDICTMENT.

There is almost a gusto in the way the Shanghai Mercury takes up a Japanese indictment of the Chinese nation. Our contemporary says:

"It is lamentably true, to which all who have lived long in China, and who have had close intercourse with the different classes of the community, can testify, that the standard of private and public virtues has had very little practical control over the morals of the officials, gentry, and people of China." Intelligent men of good social standing will tell you, after they have been converted to a higher standard of honesty and truth (for previous to this conversion they did not notice the difference, being as blind and corrupt as their fellows) that "the higher you go in the social life of China the worse it is and the deeper state of corruption you will meet with." The lower classes are rough, coarse and open in their mercenary pursuits and self-seeking. But amongst the higher classes this same self-seeking and mercenary spirit, is smooth, refined and held-in by polite arts and faultless etiquette, all their energies and faculties—intellectual and moral—are trained and concentrated upon the office or professional position they occupy at the time; in such a way as to persuade themselves that it is right and proper for them to grow rich by honest means—if possible yet if impossible, by dishonest means—only I do not discover! Most entering upon office with such views and feelings, what else can we expect in the Government Administration but a sham and an artificial state of things? Hence, the paper quotes from the Chinese:

"The toast of His Imperial Majesty the Emperor of China" was proposed by the chairman, who referred to the work being accomplished by the Chinese Empire Reform Association, of which the Emperor was head. The Association had over 300 branches throughout the world, with a total membership of 2,000,000. The organization was founded in 1898 by Mr. Kang-Yu-Wei, said to be one of the greatest statesmen China had ever had. This gentleman was also one of the Emperor's most trusted advisors, particularly in the direction of introducing reforms. The Conservative party, however, proved too strong, and the result was that he had to retreat, fly to Peking, where the British Consul General provided him with a safe passage on board a British man-of-war to Hongkong. Since that time Mr. Kang-Yu-Wei had visited 16 countries. He met Lord Charles Beresford, who had recorded in his book the statement that their respected leader was one of the most brilliant and intelligent men he had ever met. The Chinese of New South Wales were eagerly looking forward to a visit from him.

The objects of the association were as follows:

1. To obtain the relief of his Imperial Majesty the Emperor of China Kwong-Si, and to secure his restoration to power at Peking.

2. To maintain the unity, integrity, and independence of the Chinese Empire, and prevent unnecessary encroachments on either its territory or its resources.

3. To promote the reformation and advancement of the Chinese people in religion, education, science, and politics.

4. To promote the establishment of a national Constitution and Parliament for the Chinese Empire, similar to that of the British Empire, subject to such modifications as the circumstances render necessary, so as to provide that the country will be governed by the people of the country.

5. To promote the establishment of the Chinese banks, railways, tramways, and telegraph, telephone, electric light and power systems, and other enterprises deemed useful and desirable towards the opening up and development of the vast natural resources of the Empire.

6. To promote the introduction of modern machinery for manufacturing and other purposes and the employment of the best available to carry on large manufacturing works.

7. To promote the establishment of public schools and universities in China.

8. To promote the training of bankers, of medical men for service in China, to ameliorate the condition of the people, and the establishment of hospitals, and other institutions for the relief of suffering.

To form a bond of union among the Chinese people of the Empire.

10. To promote closer commercial intercourse with foreign Powers. (Cheers.)

Such a constitution, continued the president, was worthy of the support of every Chinese who had the interest of his native land at heart.

During the Boxer trouble of 1900, which was principally directed against the foreigners, Mr. Kang-Yu-Wei, as head of the association, cabled to every Chinese to assist the Government to repel the Boxers.

All the money needed was contributed by the branches. The New South Wales members forwarded the sum of £4,500 to the Viceroy of Nanking. (Applause.)

### A CHINESE REFORM ASSOCIATION.

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A banquet was held recently in Sydney at the rooms of the Chinese Empire Reform Association to celebrate the birthday of the Emperor of China. The president of the Association, Mr. L. Lee Hong, occupied the chair, and there was a good attendance.

The toast of "His Imperial Majesty the Emperor of China" was proposed by the chairman, who referred to the work being accomplished by the Chinese Empire Reform Association, of which the Emperor was head. The Association had over 300 branches throughout the world, with a total membership of 2,000,000. The organization was founded in 1898 by Mr.

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W. ARMSTRONG,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1907. 1541

## PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS of WILLIAM MATTHEW DEAS deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of Ordinance No. 2 of 1897 made an Order limiting the time for Creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 16th day of November, 1907.

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Hongkong, 20th September, 1907. 18

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For the Committee,

H. SCHUMACHER,

Hon. Secretary,

Hongkong, 10th September, 1907. 1524

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ING of Shareholders in the above Com-

pany will be held at the Company's Office,

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NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report

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## MOTOR NOTES FROM HOME.

Written for the Daily Press.

## THE BLUE BANDIT.

Sigis are not wanting that public opinion in this country is veering round in favour of the motorist, and there is a growing tendency amongst travellers to show consideration towards humble users of the road. The unsportsmanlike and un-English system of trapping motorists has been aggravated by the innovation by which drivers are not allowed to know the exact locality in which the alleged offence has been committed. The large cars get off scot-free, but the small ones, and this hits the man of moderate means, are more easily held up by the bandits-in-blue, and it is positively useless to deny the charge or bring up witness in the majority of the police courts. Lord Montagu in the "Car" says: "The motorists, and motor-cars are as a rule disgracefully treated by the majority of the courts. Flagrant injustice and perjury are the weapons which are employed to convict." The pity of it is that the industry which promises to be of paramount value to the commercial classes of this country is being seriously handicapped by the hostility of retrogressive authorities. While the British Boniface sits idle, scores of motoring tourists are flocking to the continent where the Innkeeper is reaping a golden harvest.

## MOTOR REVIVITIS.

The winners of the trophy offered by the Argyll Company for the July competition drove a car of 14-16 h.p. 4 cylinder air of this make from Huddersfield to Glasgow at an average speed of 28 miles an hour, using a gallon of petrol to every 18 miles, and never once changing speed in the many stiff gradients, he noted.

The makers of the Spyker car which has also shown up very creditably in the Peking-Paris race are offering gentlemen in the Far East, in districts where their cars are not represented, agency terms for the first purchase and subsequent introductions.

The house of Darracq is now offering cars on the "Times" easy payment system. Mr. Huntley Walker tells me he is willing to extend this privilege to the colonies to approved purchasers.

Giffen, the globe girdler, is continuing his 50,000 miles drive, and is now in England, intending to include a tour of Land's End to John o'Groats. He has already been round the world twice and visited 36 countries.

Dunlop tyres have beaten their continental rivals. They have just gained 17 points out of the possible 21 in races at Brooklands.

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth say in their weekly share report, dated Hongkong 20th Sept., 1907: "Nothing of importance has transpired during the past week, and we have again but little of interest to report. Exchange closes on London at 2/3 T.T., and on Shanghai at 7/2 T.T."

BANK SHARES.—Hongkong and Shanghai have risen steadily with small sales and further increased to 2/4 T.T., and now at 3/0 T.T. London National continues negotiated at 5/1 nominal.

MARINE INSURANCE.—Unions have been booked and there are further buyers at 87c. We have heard of no business in other stocks under this heading, and quotations are without change.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Sales are reported of Hongkong at the reduced rate of \$310, at which there are further sellers. Chinas have declined to \$86 sellers.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao, are unchanged with sellers at \$323. Indo-Chinas, in sympathy with a demand from the north, have improved to \$41 and \$39 for the Preferred and Deferred respectively, with buyers and no sellers. China and Manias, Star Ferries, and Douglas continue in request at quotations, and Shall Transports are enquired for in a small way at 44s. 6d.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars and Luxons are without business, and still procurable at quotations.

MINING.—There is no change in Charbonnages which are still in request at \$470. Rubis, after sales at \$81, have improved to \$83 with buyers.

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LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Land, small sales at \$97, are easier with sellers \$96. Hongkong Hotels continue in request at \$98 ex the dividend of \$4 per share for the half year ending 30th June paid on the 16th inst., but no shares are available at the rate. Humphreys Estates have sold at \$101, and are still wanted. West Pointe, Kowloon Lands, and Shanghai Lands, are unchanged without local business.

COTTON MILLS.—Quotations are unaltered and we have no business to report.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Bonds have been booked at \$81 and more shares are wanted. China Provident can be placed at \$33.90, and Dairy Farms at \$17, the latter after sales at the rate. Cementas are steady at \$11 at which rate business has been done. Electricians are wanted at \$14 after sales at \$13.30, and China Light & Powers at \$8 after sales at the rate. Langkats are quoted in the North at \$349 ex div.

## GOING, GOING, GONE

Collectors and bargain-hunters all the world over delight in the function of which the title words of this article are the text. The desire of possession under compulsion of some coveted article to enrich or complete the collection is one of the keenest known to the collector. As a rule he competes only for his own speciality, and frequently delegates his purchasing to an agent, desiring not the excitement of acquisition, but only the article itself. With its history he is only concerned as far as it makes his collection superior to that of his rival, and the sentiment attached to a coat worn by Sir Walter Scott is less thought of than the fact that he has got it and no one else has. The bargain-hunter is on a lower plane. His main desire is to purchase only from the fact that he may sell again. There is however a class of bargain-hunter that buys because it is cheap, not because he actually wants it, but because if he did, he would have to give more first-hand. The mania of possession takes fast hold of many, with the result that regular attendance at ship sales and auctions becomes a habit, while the house of the affluent becomes a regular lumber-hut.

There is a pathetic side to the auction that appeals most to the dweller in the Far East, compelled by the impossibility of permanent residence to part with his Ladas and Peugeot specifically, when he goes home on holiday or retirement. There are plenty of auction sales at home, from the humble scenes for rent, to the sale by auction of the household goods and effects of a deceased country gentleman. But the proportion of those who experience sufficient from the rite of parting with their household goods is infinitely smaller than in a country like this, where changes of station, or the wife going home every year or so, husband following, make the breaking up of a household almost an everyday occurrence. We get cast-hardened to it, after two or three times, and content ourselves with tin-tin goods in place of those of good metal, softening the wrench of a change of religion. Perhaps this helps to the simpler life, for what is the use of buying beautiful and expensive furniture, warehoused to last a lifetime—or two or three generations—when the moral certainty is that three years hence it will be disassembled with a hand-saw, later placed at and fired red-hot?—and finally carried away in a dirty and rambling bullock cart to some second-hand furniture shop, or some alien home, to be looked upon merely from its utilitarian point of view, or despised into humble uses for the reason that it only cost so little. Those well-built chairs that were such a source of joy to the original owner, built to order with a liberal expenditure of the designer's brains, regardless of expense. The delight of the eye, the well-care for children, the mistress's loving duster; the terror of the incompetent servant, who knew that he had better get the small-pox and go away and die than break a corner of the carved back; the pride of the owner; the envy of the visitor. Fancy these tenderly reared creations at the mercy of the usual bachelors in a boarding-house, chipped and cracked and stained with glass-marks, with the mud of the boat and the sordid of the carelessly wielded broom; with their feet so far dimmed and dulled, and as likely as not their pristine polish snared over with some hideous and undignified form of Chinese varnish. It is cruelty. The auctioneer uses his finest words. No expression is too hyperbolic to describe the "miserable task-wardrobe with mirror panels" which after five sales goes woefully at the top and refuses to close, with binges loose or broken, bending flapping about, and general appearance as if recovering from a month's dissipation in the lowest slums. No self-respecting mistress or master could look upon it without a dimmed eye and a curse for the vandal that destroyed the one-time pride of the home. No wise master or mistress will set foot in the house after the auctioneer's man has put foot in it. Much less will they go to the sale and see the once-beloved treasures despoiled, almost beyond recognition by being out of place, empty, and the mark for the withering scorn of deprecating buyers. Sentiment dies hard, and the spectacle of the child's drum stick, the old doll, the tattered picture book, once the joy of the mother's eye; the little appliances of the nursery and the private kitchen; the well-used writing desk and the long chair from which you used to read to the man in the blessed quiet of the after dinner when all the bairns had cleared and the little ones were peacefully slumbering away in the night nursery. To see these baulked together and wearing an air of homelessness and friendlessness that ill beseems them is calculated to break the heart of those who think of "home" as a combination of personality and environment. Better far give them to the friendly flames as burnt offering to past joys. The monetary value is to their sentimental value as plus infinity to minus infinity.—Singapore Free Press.

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LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The I.G.M.s. Manila left Manila on Thursday the 19th inst. at 11 p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.  
The I.G.M.s. Keelung carrying the German Mail with dates from Berlin of the 9th ult. left Singapore on Thursday 19th inst. at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday the 23rd inst. at night.  
The Danish s. Indien left Singapore on Thursday the 19th inst. at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Thursday 26th inst.  
The N.Y.K.s. Nippon Maru (Australian Line) left Thursday Island for this port via Manila on the 19th inst., and is expected here on the 30th inst.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

GLENTHAKE, British str., 3,245, McGillivray, 20th Sept.—London 10th Aug., via Penang and Singapore 14th September, General McGregor Bros. & Co.

HELLAS, German str., 5,500, Maesenden, 20th September—Sandakan 11th Sept., Sugar Steamer & Co.

HORN, British str., 1,204, Mathias, 20th September—Hollow 19th Sept., General Butterfield & Swire.

KUENLIOU British str., 20th Sept.—Canton.

LAISANG, British str., 3,400, E. J. Tadd, 20th Sept.—Calcutta 4th Sept. and Straits 14th, General—Jardine Matheson & Co.

MAUSAN, British str., 1,634, R. Houghton, 20th Sept.—Sandakan 14th Sept., Timber and General—Jardine Matheson & Co.

MEIFOO, Chinese str., 20th Sept.—Canton.

QUINTA, German str., 987, F. Franklin, 19th September—Langkawi 10th September via Singapore 12th, Kerossie Oil Siemens & Co.

SHAOHSING, British str., 20th Sept.—Canton.

TAMING, British str., 1,350, A. W. Outerbridge, 20th Sept.—Manila 17th Sept., Hemp and General—Butterfield & Swire.

TRINOCEROS, Danish str., 2,257, P. Thomasen, 20th September—Mactan 14th Sept., Ballast—Melchers & Co.

VORWAERTS, German str., 643, Franssen 20th Sept.—Pekko & Hollow 19th Sept., General—Jelkes & Co.

WONCKEIT, German str., 1,777, W. Reber, 20th September—Bangkok 7th September, Rice and wood—Butterfield & Swire.

## CLEARANCES

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE  
20th September.  
Glenbrae, British str., fr. Shinghai.  
Toba Maru, Japanese str., for Kobe.  
Malta, British str., for Europe, &c.  
Nippon Maru, Jap. str., for San Francisco.  
Quinta, German str., for Pekko.  
Tjyuan, Dutch str., for Singapore.  
Tranquebar, Danish str., for Saigon.  
Zafira, British str., for Manila.

## DEPARTURES.

20th September.  
AMIGO, German str., for Hollow.  
CHEONGSHI, British str., for Swatow.  
HACHINO, British str., for Swatow.  
HILL, Norwegian str., for Yokohama.  
KOSHIMA MARU, Japanese str., for Moji.  
NORD, British str., for Singapore.  
PROTON, Norwegian str., for Saigon.  
SHUSHO MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.  
SIAM, British str., for Singapore.  
TAISHUN, Chinese str., for Canton.  
YUEN-SANG, British str., for Manilla.  
ZWEINA, British str., for Batavia.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Taming* reports: Light, to moderate N. E. breeze and fine clear weather, moderate N. E. swell.

The British str. *Lansing* reports: Moderate S.W. monsoon and sea and fine to moderate N. E. monsoon.

## VESSELS IN DOCK.

September 20th.  
ABERDEEN DOCKS—  
KOWLOON DOCKS—H.M.S. *Flora*, *Dragon*, *Pemberton*, *Langtry*, *Sota*, H.M.S. *Moorhen*, *Kronprinz*, *King Edward*.  
LONDON DOCKS—

VESSELS PASSED ANCHOR.

Aug. 28, British str. *Bellerophon*, Martini, Aug. 20, from Liverpool, for Durban.

Aug. 29, British str. *Cru Mervar*, Price, Aug. 28, from Kinsale.

Aug. 31, German str. *Wulfstan*, Hilmann, Aug. 30, from Tilbury, for Rotterdam.

British str. *Leopold*, Bovey, July 2, from Plymouth, for Batavia.

Sept. 2, German str. *Reichenbach*, Müller, July 23, from Hamburg, for Batavia.

British str. *Pasha*, Micklitz, Sept. 1, from Scapa, for Calcutta.

Dutch str. *Bali*, Albers, July 18, from Amsterdam, for Batavia.

Sept. 5, British str. *Zwischen*, Even, Sept. 4, from Chilima Island, for Singapore.

British str. *Ocean Monarch*, July 2, from Baltimore, for Yokohama.

Sept. 7, British str. *Ulysse*, Evans, Aug. 4, from Liverpool, for Yokohama.

Sept. 9, German str. *Peter Richmers*, Bachmann, Aug. 5, for Saigon, for Brunei.

Dutch str. *Sole*, Engelman, Aug. 3, from Rotterdam, for Batavia.

Sept. 10, Dutch str. *Tina*, Bakker, Sept. 10, from Ustavia, for Djedda.

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FOR THE STRAITS COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, PLYMOUTH HAVRE, & HAMBURG

HOHENSTAUFEN ... 2nd October  
SILESIA ... 3rd October

RHENANIA ... 2nd October  
HOHENSTAUFEN ... 3rd October

HOMeward.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HOHENSTAUFEN ... 26th Sept.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA ... 1st Oct.

SITHONIA ... 15th Oct.

SEGOVIA ... 27th Oct.

FREIGHT SERVICE.

NEXT SAILINGS OUTWARD:

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HOHENSTAUFEN ... FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA ... 1st Oct.

SITHONIA ... FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA ... 15th Oct.

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IBERIANA ... HAVRE & HAMBURG ... 2nd Oct.

BELGRAVIA ... HAVRE & HAMBURG ... 19th Oct.

HOHENSTAUFEN ... HAVRE & HAMBURG ... 30th Oct.

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Capt. R. A. Peters	Sept.	1st Advertisement.	
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, POONA, YOKOHAMA	POONA	About 27th	Freight and YOKOHAMA
Capt. F. A. Vins, R.N.R.	Sept.	only.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP VIA SINGA	NAMUR	About 9th	Freight and October
PORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, R.N.E.	Capt. H. W. Keirick	25th	Passage, Port Said

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HIOHOW and HAIPHONG	"HUEPH"	On 24th Sept., 11 P.M.
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 24th Sept., 11 P.M.
SWATOW and SHANGHAI	"YOCHOW"	On 25th Sept., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI and CHINKIANG	"KANSU"	On 25th Sept., 4 P.M.
CEBU and ILOCIO	"KAIFONG"	On 26th Sept., 4 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK TOWN, CAIRNS, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHANGSHA"	On 10th Oct., 4 P.M.
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"EMPEROR OF CANADA" 6,000 " THURSDAY, 21st Nov. 9th Dec.  
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NAPLES, GENOA, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP, & BREMEN	"PRINZ HEINRICH"	Wednesday, 25th P. Grönch
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The C.P.R. str. Empress of India arrived  
Shanghai at 9 a.m. on Thursday 19th inst., and is  
left again at 6 p.m. same day for Hongkong  
where she is due to arrive at 7 a.m. to-morrow.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-Chin str. Nanjing left Moji on  
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THE GERMAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. Kleist carrying the German  
Mails with dates from Berlin of the 27th ult.  
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Monday, 7th, 8.00 P.M.

Tuesday, 8th, 9.00 P.M.

Wednesday, 9th, 1

## THE PLAGUE.

Clos attention will be paid to the communications published by the Government of India in *Goctile Extraordinary* on the subject of plague. The letter from His Majesty, which heads the correspondence, is very welcome. It proves that the vigilance and solicitude of His Majesty that he should send a sympathetic message to the Viceroy at the stage when plague, having spread so widely and having far spread, with greater virulence upon already stricken centres, might seem to the faint-hearted to have got out of hand and to be no longer amenable. The resistance. Needless to say, counsels of despair have had no weight with the Government of India. But the task of fighting plague is becoming one of the most serious problems of Government; difficulties seem endless, and words of encouragement and sympathy from the King are very grateful and will lead to the renewal of effort.

We [*Yankee Gazette*] published recently figures recording the extent of the invasion or plague in India this year. In January there were 58,000 deaths, in February 98,000, in March 171,000 and in April 314,000, making a total of 641,000 deaths for the first four months.

The figures are greater than those of any previous record. Their vastness would appal us had they not come in the course of a series of ever-increasing plague seizures and deaths in India. The gradation in the increase of mortality is a dangerous element of the epidemic in its effect both on the authorities and the population, tending to hide from the former the facts as to the causation of the disease and the effects of the various plague measures, and inducing in the latter an apathy which is only less evil, in respect to the eventual abolition of the epidemic, than the panic which usually accompanies its outbreak in each fresh district. Among the most important steps which the Government of India have taken towards mitigating this infliction on the Indian subjects of the King was the appointment of a Commission of scientists to study the subject of plague as at present in India. There was strong necessity for the existence of such a body independently of the late terrible increase of plague mortality. The theories of one or another scientist while of much interest have not had the weight attaching to the investigations of a committee of scientists who have had access, under the most favourable conditions, to a field of inquiry incomparably wider than that of individual investigators, and who have been able to direct the labours of medical officers in all parts of India. Starting discoveries are not expected of the Commission. They are expected only to confirm by the weight of great experience the theories which are supported by the facts, and to settle therefore, authoritatively what are effective methods of meeting the attack of plague. It is to be noted that though certain theories, such as that of infection by rats are widely understood, there are great differences of opinion among men even of considerable standing. In 1905, for instance, at a meeting of the Indian section of the Society of Arts Dr. Creighton made a strong attack against all prevalent theories of the causation of plague, but he advocated, strangely enough, a measure which has been found of greater practical effect in stemming the tide of plague in hitherto uninfected towns than any other, namely, the temporary evacuation of premises in which plague cases have occurred and premises in close conjunction with these. This was the method that had such striking success at Insein, where it may be said, considering the dangerous proximity of Rangoon in which plague has been raging, that the disease has been fairly grappled with and defeated. It is a measure also which is now recommended by the Government of India.

The extreme importance of getting the epidemic under control is sufficient warrant for the communication which the Government of India has now made concerning the completion of the first stage of the Commission's labours, which was devoted to the etiology of plague. Granting the truth of the theories of infection which are put forward, and it may now be said that they are established beyond all doubt, certain methods of precaution become plainly imperative. The Government of India would not have been justified in withholding the information which they now impart. The "outstanding conclusions" are that bubonic plague is spread by infected rats; that the vehicle of contagion between rat and rat, and between rat and man, is the rat flea, and that the life of the plague germ in the soil, floors and walls of houses is of short duration. The Government of India declares these conclusions to show the uselessness of certain troublesome measures of house disinfection at present employed, and to prove the desirability of all measures which will keep human dwellings free from rats. Sir Harold Stuart also, as officiating Home Secretary, declares the Government of India's approval of inoculation. In particular the Government of India advises temporary evacuation of infected premises, the giving of liberal assistance to the people who thus evacuate their premises, and the constant re-collection on the part of officials of the necessity of securing the co-operation of the people and of respecting their customs and even their prejudices. While Government are fully justified in publishing the findings of the Commission so far as they are available, it will be well not to place too much importance on the publication of the matter contained in the *Goctile Extraordinary*. What is most noteworthy in the publication, putting aside for the moment scientific questions, is that the Government of India has adopted a policy as to preventive plague measures, while before this they had no policy. In many districts the practice commanded has been in operation. It will now have high official support, and the practices which have heretofore not adopted it, vexations and useless measures, at least as far as concerns busses, will be universally discarded, which alone is a very great boon. Considering still only the administrative aspect of plague, there is left to the officers of the various localities a considerable measure of freedom both as to action and opinion. It will have been noted by those interested in sanitary matters that Colonel King, the head of the medical department of this province, in his report on plague in Burma in 1906 declared: "If the spread of plague from areas to areas is to be prevented, the utmost effort must be given to the surveillance of threatened populations, and the control of those infected." The only truly commonsense plague policy," he continues, "that can be rationally relied upon, is that which can be rationally relied upon, and has in one part of India (Madras) at least stood the test of ten years of practical experience. It is systematic surveillance (with full liberty of the persons) of, usually, controllable human beings, the consequent strict sanitary treatment of imported cases in uninfected localities, and the consequent prevention of infection of rats, who are uncontrollable disseminators of infection." "Neither upon inoculation, rat-killing, nor flea-killing alone can success depend." We do not see anything in the communication of the Government of India to discredit King's statements; in the slightest degree, though the communication itself does not mention surveillance. We believe that local administrative and medical officers must

still trust to themselves largely, and not to the supreme Government for the prevention and stamping out of plague. Colonel King's system of surveillance demands a service of inspection which we understand will by and by be provided. There is fit to be said concerning the scientific aspect of Government's communication. Until there is some alteration by the Commission itself the discussion of the etiology of plague remains where it was. The wording of the "outstanding conclusions" as communicated by Sir Stuart is vague and loose. Perhaps it was not considered necessary to confirm the bacteriological theory of plague, yet even that is questioned in some quarters, and in any case the statement of it is necessary as a preamble. Nor are we told if rats are the only spreaders of bubonic plague. However it is not necessary to examine the logical form of Government's version of the Commission's conclusions. We do not doubt for a moment that the present declaration of the Government of India regarding plague measures will have a good effect, both in the better ordering of administrative plague measures and in supporting the enthusiasm of medical officers.

## AN EARLY START.

It is Bank Holiday morning, and the sky is consequently overcast. That, however, has not sacrificed the dress or the spirits of the Bank Holiday-makers, who are waiting at Cheltenham Pier to go on the Sunbury Belle. The ladies wear their airiest blouses, and have left their umbrellas at home; the straw hats and summer suiting of the gentlemen bid a defiance to the weather, which we may hope, will not prove misplaced.

Hurried Official at the Barrier: "Nar then? Nar then don't above, you'll all get on in due course. Show your ticket."

The Crowd (good natured): "All right, ole Krueger-whiskers, we ain't in any 'urry.' What'd ye think we got up at 'arf past five for?" "Iber up there!"

Small Person left behind in charge of two babies: "There, Mum, sit up in the pram, and prop ya'll 'co' Granny." (With well-feigned ecstasy): "There she is—on the steambus—next to Mr. Casey and Bill. There's you; you can see 'em!" (Addressing herself to the other infant, who is stoutly trying to eat his shoe): "There's Granny, baby! Wave your 'and to 'er. Shout Bill!" (saying the action to the word). "Bill! Bill!" (With great satisfaction). "I believe 'e eard."

Interested Onlooker at Gloomey Man: "I suppose it's an annual outing or something of that kind. Look as if they meant to enjoy themselves."

Gloomey Man: "Well, it's to be 'oped it won't rain, that's all. Else where'll shelter with that lot on board I'm sure I don't know. Look at the stuff they're takin' on board, too. Well, I suppose it's all right; the firm pays for it."

Small Young Person anxious to give information: "It ain't a cutting, mister. It's the Goose Club from the White 'Art at Battersea."

Gloomey Man: "Well, I thought it was something of that kind with all that stuff on board." (To Interested Onlooker): "You know I ain't one to 'old with these things, guv'nor. What appens is that there's just one or two gets a drop too much, coming 'ome as it might be... and it makes it very disagreeable, as you might say. Most disagreeable. You wouldn't catch me goin'."

Reveler with concertines, halin' Gloomey Man: "What, he, my lord, ain't you comin' to join the trip?"

Gloomey Man: "Not me."

Reveler: "Carmon! Ere, look 'ere! I've got the missus's ticket. She's gone with her sister to the Pallie... Come on."

The Gloomey Man comes on.

Small Person (resuming): "Bill! Granny! There, I believe she saw us that time. Wave your 'and, Mord! No, no, we ain't goin' with them. It's no use your 'avin' because we can't go."

(Distractedly): "And now you've made baby cry. Sh—sh, baby! There, there; look at Granny and Bill. Granny gives us 'uppence before she went, and we'll go and buy some sweets."

If you don't stop a-oryn, Mord, me gal, I'll give you what for when I get you 'ome; you see if I don't, me lady!"

The boat begins to cast off from the pier, and the fact that it is so full as to make it impossible for half of the voyagers to sit down except on one another's knees adds to the general disarray. From the Embankment it is possible to discern early birds giving their attention in the "stuff." Three cormorants burst into "Bedelia."

The Sunbury Belle backs out. As she does so three belated excursionists hurry up to the pier entrance.

The Male Excursionist: "Blimey, mother, if I ain't missed it!"

His Son (sudden, and without warning): "Ow-ow-ow-ow!"

The Male Excursionist: "That's the worst of these zero river boats. You never can depend on them. N'er mind, arry, we'll go and 'ave a ride on a bus, won't we, mother?"

Mother (resignedly): "Ah, well, it can't be helped. There's appointments and disappointments and self-opinions and what not; and we ave to take what's guided."

The Sunbury Belle is now well on her way up river, leaving a trail of concertines behind her.

Small Person (as scene clos sin): "There's Granny and Mrs. Casey. Wave your 'and to them, baby... Bill... Bill!" — *Daily Graphic*.

## A STORY.

Judging from a story told by "The Standard's" Nagasaki correspondent, the Japanese are particularly anxious that no more spoils of the Manchurian war should fall to Russia. It appears that the more delicate of the trophies taken during the siege of Port Arthur and at the battle of the Sea of Japan were tied up in small packages, some of which have been since sold. One package was bought by a man named Isozaki. It contained, among a variety of garments and fabrics, a few old flags in a tattered condition. Three of these flags struck Isozaki as looking uncommonly "swell." He approached a Russian official at Nagasaki with a view to disposing of them for pieces of silver. In the presence of the Russian Consul the flags were unrolled. To the astonishment of the world-beholder, the official immediately made a low obeisance before them. They were nothing less than the Imperial Standards of the Czar and Czarina. Immediately their purchase was agreed on for a sum equivalent to £2,000. But this was for the dreams of wealth nourished by Mr. Isozaki (whose name, by the way, suggest a Hebrew origin). Just as the flags were being handed over, the police appeared and seized the trophies as the property of the Japanese Government. Being a good patriot, Isozaki is, no doubt, delighted to yield the captured standards to his nation. Anyway, he is obliged to. He will have the satisfaction of seeing them set up in a prominent place in the capital; and that satisfaction he will be able to balance against a paltry £2,000.

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## THE ORIGIN OF THE HORSE.

The question of the various breeds of the horse is an interesting one, but like that of the history of the other domestic races, both of plants and animals, is full of difficulties and uncertainties. Is there in any part of the world a wild horse which may reasonably be supposed to be the ancestor of our various breeds? The only wild horse known is that discovered by the famous Russian traveller Prjevalsky on the Daunarian steppes in Central Asia, and known thence as *Equis Prjevalskii*. It has been thought by many that this species is the real ancestor of the domestic horse. Prjevalsky's horse was discovered in 1881, was at first thought to be a cross between the kiang, or wild ass of the same desert regions, and a Mongolian pony. Its right to be considered a genuine species, however, was afterwards firmly established. It was thought to be closely related to a large-headed species hunted by the Paeolithic man, and portrayed by him on bones. If, then, we accept Prjevalsky's horse as the real ancestor, we may perhaps trace our breeds back to a species domesticated during the stone age.

An experiment in cross-breeding carried out by Professor Cesare Ewart throws some light on this question of the horse's ancestry. In a paper entitled "A Hybrid between Prjevalsky's Horse and a Highland Pony," read before the Royal Society of Edinburgh, Professor Ewart describes his results and conclusions. To accept Prjevalsky's horse as the ancestral form implies, as he points out, the following profound changes. The short upright mane of *Equis Prjevalskii* has been changed into a long flowing one. A mule-like tail with a tuft of hairs at the end has become the familiar horse's tail, with long hairs up to the root. The skull, nearly as broad as in the sheep, has assumed the form of a face in a line with the cranium, as in the elk. Professor Ewart contends that there is no evidence that breeding and selection can have produced such results.

The hybrid which Prof. Ewart has reared has proved itself fertile, and it exhibits some of the characters of an ordinary cross-bred horse. It is tractable, and will allow itself to be ridden, in which it differs from Prjevalsky's horse, which has never been tamed. These facts seem to justify the belief that this wild horse of the Asiatic deserts has had somewhere in the ancestry of the modern horse, Prof. Ewart thinks it may have given to certain strains of Arab and shire horses some of their more striking characters. Two other species of horse which lived in Pleistocene times, are credited with a share in the production of the modern horse. The one had a broad short face nearly in a line with the cranium, a long body, and at all limbs. The other had an extremely narrow face a short body, slender limbs, and only two of the eight callosities usually present.

THE LATEST PADGETT.

(To Mr. Keir Hardie, about to take a voyage round the world for the sake of his health. Mr. Punch, whose best wishes go with him, looks forward to the day when Mr. Hardie will return to give the nation the benefit of his fortnight's experience in India, and, in his own words, "to let a little light in upon the dark places of Indian government.")

Fair winds attend you where you sail  
To put a girdle round the Earth  
And bring you back robust and pale  
With lither-limbs and larger girth  
And full of fat from over sea  
Undreamed of by the L. P.  
In their profound philosophy.

Sampling the fat terrestrial ball  
It should not shock you much to find  
That England's relatively small;  
To this you never yet were blind;  
It should surprise you rather more  
How few upon how many a shore  
Have ever heard of you before.

You will remark that millions lie  
In gloom so absolute that they  
Manage to live and even die  
Without a solitary ray  
To hint of how your Party strives  
To illuminate their dusky lives  
And make them jib at British gyves.

From your excursion round the Globe  
You are to spare some fourteen days  
To pierce the Hindoo's hear and probe  
The mystery of his devious ways;  
His views on God and Life and Fate,  
On Caste and Kings, on Love and Hate,  
Wisdom shall teach you "while you wait."

Within a fortnight, chiefly spent  
Inside a lot of stuff trains,  
You will imbibe a continent  
Distilled through half a dozen  
What takes a man ten years or so  
To know that he can never know.

And over darkest England's night,  
With knowledge like a flaming brand,  
You will return and throw a light  
That never was on sea or land;  
Big with your fortuity you will come  
And breath a tale to strike him dumb  
In Morley's trembling tympanum.

And should our Indian Empire wane,  
And Mint's ne'er amount to "nil"  
And scared officials sigh in vain  
For Lansdowne's lora and Curzon skill,  
Then shall our Isle, in that eclipse,  
Appeal to you for expert tips,  
And hang upon your travelled lips.

O. S. in Punch.

## A MASS OF BURMA RUBIES.

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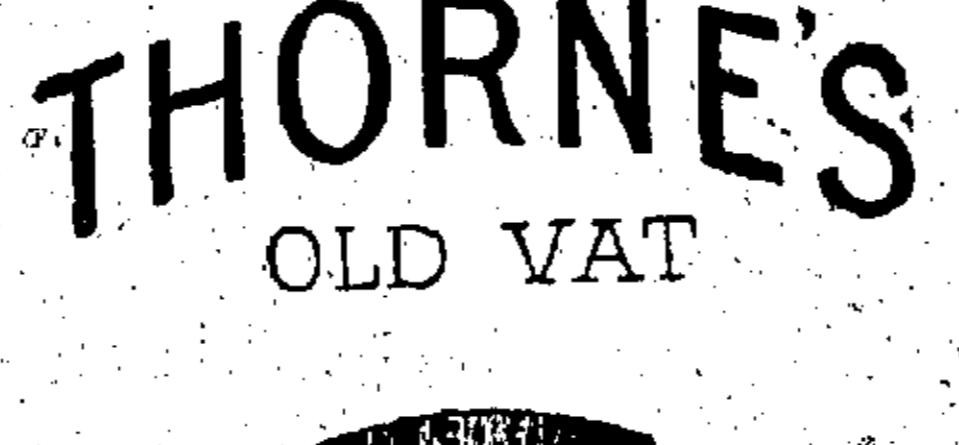
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Hongkong, 12th January, 1907. 22

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No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1907. 21

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Hongkong, 17th September, 1907. 1518

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